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ICBM LAUNCH COMPLEX TYUMEN', USSR

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The Tyumen' ICBM Launch Complex was first identified on KEYHOLE photography of It consisted then only of one launch area and a complex support facility. 1/ The next photo coverage, — revealed a transfer point; a second launch area (Area B), which was previously noted as an area of unidentified activity; a third launch area (Area C); and an improved road and power-line trace extending west of Area C and terminating in woods, indicating the probable general location of a fourth launch area (Figure 1). This ICBM launch complex has been brought to its present stage of construction in less than months since the photography which shows the complex initially under construction.

LAUNCH AREAS

The three launch areas are oriented on an azimuth of approximately 300 degrees and are generally identical in configuration, even though they are in varying stages of construction. Each superficially appears to be of the Yur'ya Type 2 configuration. 2/ However, several modifications may indicate a new type of launch-area configuration. The following is an outline of these modifications (measurements given are those for Launch Area A).

The distance between the main launch-pad service roads is approximately 870 feet, versus the 980 feet separation considered standard for the

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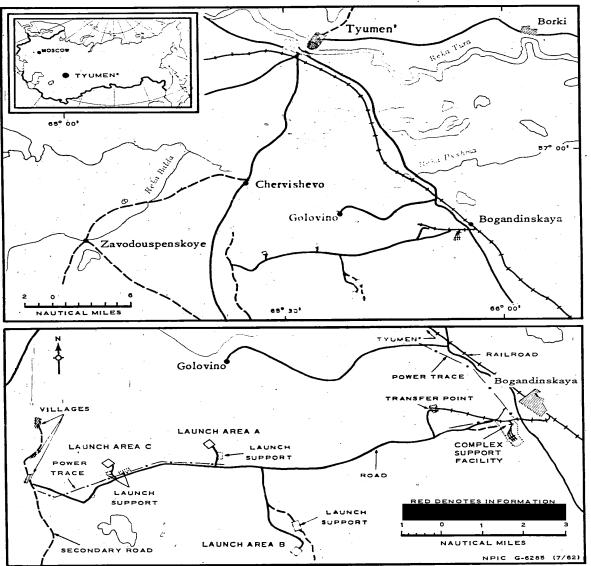


FIGURE 1. LOCATION AND LAYOUT OF TYUMEN' ICBM LAUNCH COMPLEX.

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Yur ya Types 1 and 2 launch areas. Also, the two elongated pad clearings normally found at Yur ya-type areas are not present. In their place are clearings or scarring at right angles to the main service roads. The distance between the outer extremities of these features is approximately 1,180 feet.

The presence of an improved road to the rear of and serving the missile-ready buildings provides the access needed to give them a drive-through capability.

Each launch area has an additional component under construction approximately 1,300 feet behind the launch-pad areas. This component is served by a continuation of the offset center service road and has a "plus" configuration approximately 300 feet on a leg. Three or four small circular clearings are apparent. At Launch Area A, a small, possibly dome-shaped structure is present in one and possibly two of these clearings. No similar structures are apparent at Launch Areas B and C, but the earlier construction status may account for their absence. The exact location and servicing arrangement differ slightly at each of the three "plus" components. The orientation of one leg is generally the same as that of the long axis of the launch area.

The absence of scarring along the offset road which precedes the construction of four structures considered standard in the Yur'ya Type 2 launch areas is noted. Scarring for the probable construction of a control bunker, however, is evident.

Clearings for the missile-ready buildings indicate that each will be inside the main service road pattern and that neither will be canted.

Launch Complex E at the Tyura Tam Missile Test Center is similar in several layout characteristics. The most significant similarities are the spacing between launch positions (820 feet at Complex E and 870 feet at Tyumen' areas) and the presence of a "plus" component. At Complex E this component is 3,200 feet behind the launch positions and at Tyumen', 1,300 feet behind.

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The missile-ready building under construction is about 850 feet behind the right pad. The building is approximately 140 feet long, shorter than those at the Yur'ya-type launch areas (170 ±10 feet). 2/ Imperfect image quality and the early stage of construction may account for the difference. The structure does not appear to be canted; however, it is inboard of the service road to the pad area. Only the clearing for the second ready building is visible.

The "plus" component, not seen at any other deployed ICBM launch complexes, is approximately 1,300 feet behind the launch-pad areas. It is served by a continuation of the offset road. Although only three clearings are visible, a fourth is probably near the road serving this component. The leg of the "plus" parallel to the long ixis of the launch area is not in line with the center road; the opposite that the component has an electronics function, possibly guidance.

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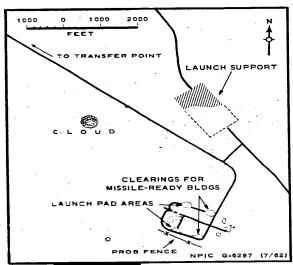
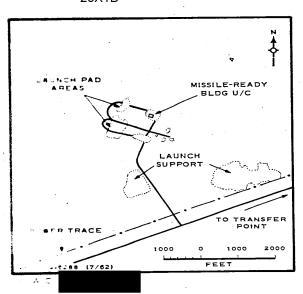


FIGURE 3. LANDOM AREA B

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FIGURE 4. LA



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Launch Area C

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This launch area, new since the coverage, is about 11 nm, by road, west-southwest of the Transfer Point. At its present stage of construction it resembles Launch Area A in that the road pattern is completed, one missile-ready building and a clearing for the second are present, and the ''plus'' component is clearly evident (Figure 4). The leg of the ''plus'' parallel to the long axis of the launch area is in direct line with the offset center road. Launch support is provided by two nearby areas which contain a total of at least 20 structures.

COMPLEX SUPPORT FACILITY

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This facility has expanded only moderately since the coverage. Figure 5 shows the details of this expansion.

TRANSFER POINT

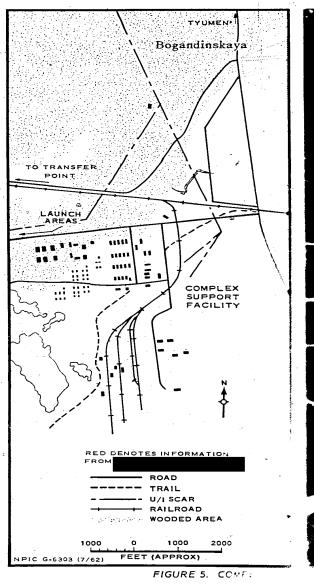
The rail-to-road Transfer Point, which is in a very early stage of construction, is approximately 2 nm west-northwest of the Complex Support Facility. Although details cannot be given because of its early construction stage, it appears similar in configuration to the transfer points at other Soviet ICBM launch complexes.

COORDINATES OF PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS

Launch Area A	56-52N	65-35E
Launch Area B	56-48N	65-38E
Launch Area C	56-51N	65-28E
Complex Support Facility	56-52N	65-53E
Transfer Point	56-53N	65-48E

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